



Holy Eucharist

Presentation of Christ in the Temple



Visitors – welcome to our service today

To follow the service today you need this sheet, together with the coloured Holy Eucharist card.

Please ask Fr Chris if you would like a paper or email copy of the sermon to read

We welcome and invite baptised Christians from other denominations to receive Holy Communion at this service.

Please join us for refreshments after the service

If you are glad our church is here, please support us with your generosity in the collection, and by telling others about us.

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Entry of the Ministers *T - Rhuddlan*

**In His temple now behold Him;
See the long-expected Lord!
Ancient prophets had foretold him;
God hath now fulfilled His word.
Now to praise Him, His redeemed
Shall break forth with one accord.**

**In the arms of her who bore Him,
Virgin pure, behold Him lie,
While His aged saints adore Him,
Ere in perfect faith they die:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Lo, the incarnate God most high!**

**Jesus, by Thy Presentation,
Thou, Who didst for us endure,
Make us see Thy great salvation,
Seal us with Thy promise sure;
And present us in Thy glory
To Thy Father cleansed and pure.**

**Prince and author of salvation,
Be Thy boundless love our theme!
Jesus, praise to Thee be given
By the world Thou didst redeem,
With the Father and the Spirit,
Lord of majesty supreme!**

Readings: God's Word in scripture



Malachi 3, vv1-5

– *The Lord will come into his Temple*

Psalm 24 Resp The Lord is the King of glory!

Hebrews 2, vv14-18

– *Christ was like us in every way*

Gospel greeting:

T – Alleluia give thanks

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His Word.

The Lord will come into His House:

The messenger who you desire will come.

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His word.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke (2, vv22-40)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

The child Jesus is presented in the temple

After the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His word.

Sermon - Creed - Intercessions

Preparing of the gifts

T – Ye banks and braes

**O love, how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mortal form for mortals' sake.
He sent no angel to our race
Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame
Himself, and to this lost world came.**

**For us he was baptised, and bore
His holy fast, and hungered sore;
For us temptations sharp he knew;
For us the tempter overthrew.
For us he prayed, for us he taught,
For us his daily works he wrought,
By words, by signs, and actions, thus
Still seeking not himself, but us.**

For us to wickedness betrayed,
Scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death;
For us at length gave up his breath.
For us he rose from death again,
For us he went on high to reign,
For us he sent his Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

At the Sending Out *T – Cross of Jesus*

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice
which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more keenly felt than heaven:
there is no place where earth's failings
have such gracious judgement given.

There is plentiful redemption
through the blood that Christ has shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the head.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be illumined,
by the glory of the Lord.